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Local Matters.

Horticultural Society.

Wednesday evening Mr. F. G. Wheaton delivered a very entertaining and instructive lecture before the Newport Horticultural Society. A communication was received from Mrs. Burke-Loche offering two silver cups to be competed for at the coming rose and strawberry show. A freak tulip was shown, having been raised by Mr. Karl Staab. There were three blossoms of striped flowers on a single stem. A social session followed the meeting.

The death of Mrs. Lucretia Stevens Jones, daughter of the late Frederic Rhineland and widow of George Frederic Jones, in Paris, has been reported. Mrs. Jones was one of Newport's earliest summer residents, having owned and occupied a cottage on Harrison avenue for many years.

Mr. Charles R. Higbee and family of Hyde Park, Mass., and Mr. J. W. Higbee of Worcester, Mass., have been the guests of Fox Collector and Mrs. E. W. Higbee this week.

Miss Emma Hall and Miss Susie Pitts were in Fall River the past week attending the wedding of Miss Selma Turner to Mr. Charles Harrison.

Mr. George L. Wilcox, of New York, was a visitor in the city the past week.

Mr. Guy Norman's new steam yacht Hope has arrived from New York.

Mr. Harry Allen, of Block Island, is visiting friends in this city.

The Aquidneck opened for the season on Monday.

Gen. Greene Day.

The members of William Ellery Chapter, D. A. R., celebrated the birthday of General Nathaniel Greene, Rhode Island's greatest Revolutionary hero, Thursday evening in the Representative chamber of the old State House. There was a fair sized audience present. Mrs. John P. Sanborn presided. The meeting was opened by prayer by the Rev. Richard Greene of Placemont, N. J., a lineal descendant of Gen. Greene, after which the Rev. Henry Morgan Stone, rector of Trinity Church gave a most interesting address upon the life and character of General Greene. At the close he was unanimously accorded a rising vote of thanks for his excellent address. The orchestra of the U. S. 7th Artillery Band volunteered their services for the occasion and played many patriotic airs to the great satisfaction of the audience. At the close they played the Star Spangled Banner, when all joined in singing "America."

One of the objects of this and similar meetings is to create an interest in the raising of funds to be used in erecting a monument to the memory of General Greene on the grounds of the new State House at Providence. William Ellery Chapter has already appropriated twenty-five dollars for that purpose.

Birthday Party.

Between twenty and twenty-five young friends of little Dorothy Nuss, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Nuss, gathered at her home on Spring street Thursday afternoon where they spent a most enjoyable time in honor of her second birthday. The children were entertained with recitations by Miss Lillian Moran; singing, recitations and skirt-dancing by Miss Marguerite Scully; duet by the Misses Jessie and Roberta Laurie; recitation by Miss Bessie Hammond and comic songs by the Misses Anna Deviney and Marguerite Scully. Refreshments were served and the children returned home before dark after an exceedingly pleasant day. Little Dorothy was the recipient of many pretty gifts from her young friends.

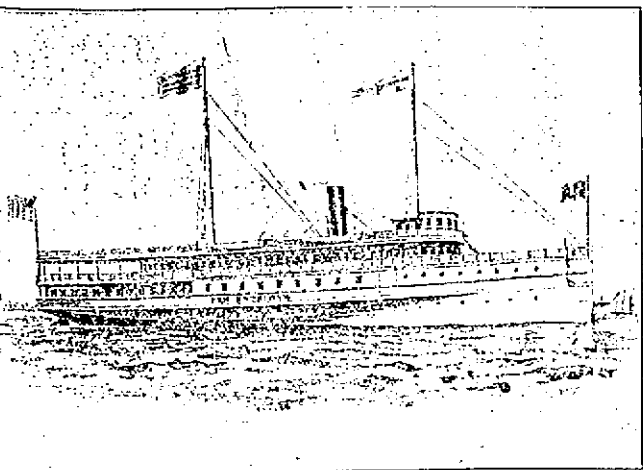
Mrs. Maude Barnett, of this city, was married to Mr. George F. Talcott, of New York, at the Marble Collegiate Church, Fifth avenue and Twenty-ninth street, New York, Monday evening, Rev. David James Russell officiating.

The wife of Dr. John H. Abbott, mayor of Fall River, is suing for a divorce. The alleged cause is desertion, but the main cause seems to be another woman.

Block Island Steamer.

The work on the New Shoreham, the steamer being built at McKie's shipyards for the Block Island service, is going on rapidly. The boilers are now in, and it is understood that the boat will go onto the line by the first of July. It is a beautiful boat, and very fast, making sixteen miles an hour. The new boat is to run from Providence to Block Island, making a stop at Newport. She is intended to make the fastest speed of any of the boats on the various lines, more attention being paid to passengers in the height of the season than to the freight trade.

We publish herewith a cut of the steamer, which was drawn from the plans. She is a screw propeller, with triple expansion engines, these being of the latest pattern and very powerful. The first or lower deck is all enclosed but a narrow passage around the stern which is left for the mooring lines. Most of this deck is intended for freight. The passenger entrance is on the same deck, and a small passenger saloon is left, into which the main entrance opens. Running up from this saloon is a flight of stairs leading up to the main passenger deck. This is an exceedingly roomy saloon, enclosed on all sides by glass, and to be



STEAMER NEW SHOREHAM

filled up in a pleasing style. Forward and aft of this enclosed saloon are the open decks. A passage on each side of the saloon connects the two decks, and forms a fine promenade in pleasant weather. Above this main passenger deck is another deck which is to be used over, but not enclosed. The pilot-house is at the extreme front of the vessel, on this upper deck.

The cut shows the vessel as it will appear when completed. She is 180 feet long, 30 feet beam. She is a beautiful steamer, her lines being as finely drawn as those of a yacht. When the interior fittings are in, she will present an extremely attractive appearance to passengers, and will fill a much needed want to the inhabitants of Block Island.

At present the boat is in the water, with men working on her engines, carpenters putting up her decks, painters working along her sides, and a general air of bustle and hurry around her. The lower deck is nearly completed, it being necessary now to wait for the engines to be finished, in order to put up the engine room and to put in the saloon furnishings. Part of the main deck is completed, as far as the exterior is concerned, while the centre of it is not yet up. This has to wait until they get all the apparatus for the engines and boilers in, before the covering can be put on. Soon the outside of the boat will be finished and then the work of fixing up the saloon for the comfort of the passengers will be begun.

Wedding Bells.

Howard-Sanborn.

The Newport Herald of Wednesday last had the following:

The wedding of Miss Susan Florence Sanborn, daughter of Hon. and Mrs. John P. Sanborn, to Mr. Albert Stanley Howard took place at the residence of the bride's parents on Broadway, last evening, and was decidedly one of the prettiest home weddings that has been seen for many days.

The house was handsomely decorated with palms and potted plants while cut blossoms of white lilacs were distributed about the rooms.

An attractive palm bower was erected in the library where the ceremony was performed and the contrast between the green leaves of the plants and the dark red curtains of the background made a striking picture.

Promptly at 6:30 the orchestra concealed behind a border of potted plants sounded the first strains of the "Bridal Chorus" from Lohengrin and the bride entered the room resting on the arm of her father who gave her away.

She was dressed in a handsome costume of white crepe de chine over white tulle, en train, and wore a long white bridal veil. Her only ornament was a handsome pearl brooch, the gift of the groom. She carried a shower bouquet of bride's roses. The bride was unattended.

At the altar the groom and his best man, Mr. Alvan H. Sanborn, a brother of the bride, were in waiting and Rev. George Whitefield Mead, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, spoke the solemn words which made the young people man and wife. The ceremony was performed in the presence of relatives and a number of intimate friends. Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Howard were congratulated by all present.

The formal reception took place between 7 and 8 o'clock and was attended by a large number of friends of both families, guests being present from Boston, Cambridge, Worcester, Hyde Park and Clinton, Mass., Concord and Fremont, N. H., Providence and Pawtucket, R. I., New York, and other cities. Mr. and Mrs. Sanborn and Mr. and Mrs. Howard received the guests while standing in the library where the ceremony had been performed. Caterer Nelson served the buffet supper in the dining room.

The ushers at the ceremony were Messrs. John Royal Sanborn, brother of the bride; Mr. Walter F. Howard and Mr. Howard of Clinton, Mass., cousins of the groom and Mr. Charles R. Penabody of Newport.

Following the reception Mr. and Mrs. Howard left in a shower of rice for a short wedding trip to be spent in Boston and neighboring places.

A large number of valuable and handsome presents were received, silver pieces and cut glass were predominant. The presents were arranged on long tables which completely filled a large room.

Lehr-Dahlgren.

Mrs. Elizabeth Drexel Dahlgren was married to Mr. Henry Simes Lehr, at St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York, at noon, on Monday. Mrs. Dahlgren was escorted by her cousin, Mr. George W. Childs Drexel, and was dressed in white. The best man was Mr. F. William Lehr, of Baltimore, brother of the groom. The ushers were Messrs. Arthur T. Kemp, George J. Gould, Theodore Frelinghuysen, T. M. Parr, Jr., Thomas de Foord, Jr., and Robert Lehr. Archbishop Corrigan performed the ceremony.

A reception and wedding breakfast was held at the residence of the bride, 20 West Fifty-sixth street, Sherry catering.

Mr. and Mrs. Lehr sail for Europe next week. On their return they will come to Newport to spend the latter part of the summer.

Conner-Lynch.

Miss Cora Louise Lynch and Mr. Frederick Edward Conner were married at St. Joseph's Church, Fall River, Tuesday morning. The bride was given away by her uncle, Mr. James Lynch, and was dressed in white satin, en train, trimmed with Irish point lace and chiffon. Her veil was caught by a spray of orange blossoms and she carried a shower bouquet of bride's roses.

Miss Joanna Sheedy was the bridesmaid and wore a pretty gown of embroidered blue green chiffon over green silk and a picture hat of chiffon with ostrich plumes, carrying a shower bouquet of roses. Mr. Benjamin Chase, of Portland, performed the duties of best man. The ushers were Messrs. Michael Lynch, Daniel Connors, Thomas Kelleher and Dr. Truesdale. A reception was held at the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. John Macomber, after which the newly-wedded couple left for a wedding trip.

Stillman-Potter.

Miss Anne Urquhart Potter, daughter of Mr. James Brown Potter, was married to Mr. James Stillman, son of Mr. James Stillman, at Grace Church,

New York, on Monday. It was one of the most brilliant events of the season. A reception was held at the residence of Mrs. Potter's grand uncle and aunt, Bishop and Mrs. Potter, on Washington square, north. The ceremony was performed by Bishop Potter, assisted by Rev. Dr. William H. Huntington, rector of the church. The bride was led to the altar by her father and wore a rich gown of white satin and lace. Her attendant was Miss Alice W. Balcock and Mr. Reginald Brooks was best man. The ushers were Messrs. Bart Jacob, R. Murray Forbes, Howard S. Russell, Robert H. Hallowell, George T. Rice, George G. Amory and Elton Clark.

The bride's gifts were numerous, costly and beautiful.

Tobin-Halpin.

The wedding of Mr. Daniel P. Tobin and Miss Anne C. Halpin took place at St. Mary's Church Thursday morning, many relatives, friends and acquaintances being present. Rev. Father Meenan celebrated the nuptial mass. The bride was very prettily gowned in white silk, with trimmings of white point lace and wore a picture hat of white with white plumes. Instead of the bridal bouquet she carried an ivory covered prayer book. The bridesmaid was Miss Margaret Sherry, who also wore white with hat to match, carrying a bouquet of white roses. The duties of best man were performed by Mr. John R. Sullivan.

A reception was held at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Halpin, on Prospect Hill street.

Mr. and Mrs. Tobin left in the afternoon by way of Wickford for a wedding trip to New York.

The gifts sent the bride were numerous and pretty.

County Club's Entertainment.

The Newport County Club gave a ladies' night at the Opera House Monday evening and a most enjoyable time was afforded the large audience present. The first part of the evening was devoted to a musical and literary entertainment. The Harry K. Howard orchestra was the first number on the program and rendered a very pleasing overture. Ellis & Moore's Minstrels next made their appearance and gave a very good entertainment, receiving much applause. A selection by the Mandolin and Guitar Club was given, being followed by a recitation by Miss Lillian Maher. In response to an encore Miss Maher gave a second reading. Mr. and Mrs. Fredericks sang "Trust Her Not," and received hearty applause. Mr. Earl Simmons then appeared in recitation, and was the recipient of much applause, and gave a second selection. "Best of All" was then sung by Mr. J. M. Murray, who has a good baritone voice. Miss Annie Driscoll sang "Alone" very sweetly. As Mr. J. J. Butler made his appearance, he received a hearty welcome. He sang several selections. Miss Hattie Hayes then sang "Dear Heart" and was obliged to respond to a well deserved encore. The last number was a song by Professor Fredericks. Refreshments were served and as the curtain rose for the second part of the performance it was changed into a ball room scene, which was a pretty one. Dancing was then in order and it was about 1 o'clock when the merry party broke up. It proved one of the pleasantest social gatherings ever given by the club.

Tomorrow the local Odd Fellows' lodge will hold services in memory of the deceased members during the past year. Addresses will be given by Rev. George Whitefield Mead, of the First Presbyterian Church, and Rev. Gilbert W. Laddlaw, of St. George's, singing by the choir of the Zabriskie Memorial Church, with William R. Boone as organist. The members who have died during the past year are Augustin C. Titus, Augustus French and Daniel V. Carr, of Rhode Island Lodge, and Theodore S. Carr, of Excelsior Lodge. Oakland Lodge has not lost any members. The services will be in Odd Fellows' Building and the public will be welcome to the seating capacity of the room.

The funeral of Apprentice Henry Augustus Tesch, of Milwaukee, who died at the Training Station, was held Sunday, with full military honors. The band, a firing party of marines and a company of boys, under Gunner Cox, escorted the body to the Old Cemetery, where the interment took place, Chaplain Cassard officiating.

The sale of private boxes for the Newport Horse Show at the Casino during September has been large already and it is expected that it will prove the most successful exhibition ever given.

Mr. Charles Fullman, who has been with the Newport band since its organization, was conveyed to the Newport Hospital Tuesday, having been taken ill on Warner street.

City Council.

Large Appropriations this Month.

The city council met in its regular monthly session last Tuesday night. A large amount of important business was transacted, and the extra appropriations distributed with a free hand. It was decided to commence the completion of Harbor Park, at a cost of \$17,000. Besides this \$1,000 was appropriated for a proper celebration of the Fourth of July, \$2,000 for dredging the channel along the wharves in the harbor, and \$300 for changing the settling tank for disposing the night soil.

The \$17,000 appropriated for the Harbor Park is to be used in building two retaining walls on the water side of the park, in filling in the park, level with the walk, and grading, sodding, and laying out the park with walks and gardens. The committee on streets and highways reported the bids for the work, which were as follows: The 1st column being the wall, 1st section, per linear foot, 2nd column, wall, 2nd section, per linear foot, 3rd column, filling of pier, per cubic yard, 4th column, top dressing per cubic yard.

Alexander Booth, \$4,200 \$4.80 \$1.35 \$2.00
Morgan Bros., 1,400 3.75
J. R. Sullivan, 1,87 1.20 .07 .51
Waterbury, 457 2.08
P. H. Welch, 1,00 1.25
James Corrigan, .55 .50
J. P. Sullivan, .55 .50

The approximate cost of the various items is as follows: building wall, first section, \$3,495; building wall, second section, \$1,463; filling pier, \$3,350; top dressing, \$5,300; grading, sodding, etc., \$3,101; total, \$17,000. The committee recommended that \$17,000 be appropriated for this purpose and that amount added to the appropriation for streets and highways.

The appropriation for the public band concerts will be distributed among three bands. These, with the addition of the free concerts, offered by the Seventh Artillery band, will make a very pleasing program.

His Honor the Mayor read a communication announcing to the council the death of the overseer of the poor, Mr. Benjamin F. Downing. The communication was received.

The report of the board of health for the months of April and May was received and, on its recommendation, the board was authorized to advertise for proposals for collecting and disposing of the swill and offal, and to contract for such collection and disposal for one, three, or five years. An amendment to restrict the work to citizens of the city was offered but was voted down.

Report No. 5 of the finance committee was received, and the following bills ordered paid:

City Assessor,	\$2,000 00
Fire Department,	92 72
Board of Health,	1,111 72
Park Commission,	356 41
Police,	101 33
Burgess and Vagrants,	21 63
Public Schools,	11,111 10
Streets and Highways,	7,575 15
Public Buildings,	18 46
Books Stationery and Printing,	100 73
Lighting Streets,	\$4,450 50
Incidentals,	127 30
New Hope Tower,	1,300 00
Water Fund,	255 50
Rural Grounds,	20 00
Town Jew Synagogue Fund,	32 40
Town School Addition,	353 51
Dog Fund,	302 20
Thomas Chapman Estate,	11 01
	\$3,000 37

The committee on streets and highways reported the bids for erecting the buildings on Briggs wharf as follows: Alexander J. Fluddier, \$908; Andrew Nicol \$1,058; Harry Wilson, \$1,160; M. J. Kirby \$1,160; Thomas H. Reagan, \$1,391. It was recommended that an addition of \$360 be added to the appropriation for this building and that the contract be awarded to A. J. Fluddier, who had the lowest bid.

The report also recommended that \$2000 be appropriated for dredging the harbor along the wharves and slips.

Resolutions were passed in accordance with the above recommendations, the name of the contractor for the house on Briggs wharf not being given.

The report of the street commissioner for May was received.

The committee on fire department recommended that a cable to replace an overhead wire, be laid on Dixon St. and Parker Ave., at a cost of \$150, and that an alarm indicator be placed in No. 2 Engine House at a cost of \$125. The reports were received and corresponding resolutions were passed.

The committee on street lights recommended the placing of a gas light on Extension St. near Spring. The report was received and the light ordered.

The committee on city property recommended that three playgrounds, one in the First ward, one in Broadway district, and one in down town district, be hired at an expense not exceeding \$225. The report was received and the corresponding resolutions adopted.

A resolution was adopted authorizing the committee on city property to advertise for proposals for a lease of Easton's Beach for a term of not more than five years under such conditions as the committee should make, with the restriction that no intoxicating liquors should be sold, and that no amusement likely to bring the place into ill-repute be allowed.

The committee on public property was authorized to have the painting of

Gov. Coddington, which hung in the City Council chamber, cleaned and repaired at a cost of \$25 and hung in the office of the Mayor.

The clerk of the finance committee reported a list of the several appropriations, which report was received.

An ordinance was passed allowing members of the council to do work, or furnish supplies, not in excess of \$100, without having to go into open competition.

An invitation to make the annual inspection of fire houses and apparatus was accepted for Monday next.

A resolution was passed appropriating \$1,000 for proper celebration of the Fourth of July, and a committee of the council authorized to spend the money.

Several petitions were received and referred to the committee on streets, and highways.

After considerable discussion, an appropriation of \$1,000 for band concerts was made, the money to be distributed between the Newport, the Newport Military, and the Training Station bands.

At nine o'clock, the two boards met in joint convention. Mayor Garretson stated that Admiral Higginson had invited the members of the City Council to visit the flagship Kearsarge and inspect the vessel. The date for the visit was fixed for Thursday at 10 o'clock.

For filling the vacancy in the office of overseer of the poor, caused by the death of Mr. B. F. Downing, Messrs. James B. Cottrell and Edward N. Lawton were nominated. Mr. Cottrell was elected by a vote of 15 to 5.

The joint convention then separated. In the board of aldermen William C. O'Neill was appointed an auctioneer; plumbers' licenses were granted to Stephen L. Goddard, Barker Brothers & Co., Peter A. Walsh and William E. Davis, and permission to sell fireworks was granted to Samuel B. Tibbels and Frank Ross.

The report of the commissioners for the extension of Central Court was approved and the extension was declared a public highway. The sum of \$1,800 was awarded to D. C. Denham, and \$4,500 to the devisees of Jas. H. Wilson for damages sustained.

The commissioners appointed to widen Wellington avenue reported that they had agreed with the various owners as to amounts of damages to property. The report was laid on the table to be acted on in July. The bill of the commissioners for \$150 for services was approved and ordered paid.

United States dispatch boat Dolphin arrived from Washington Sunday and anchored near the Training Station. On board were Assistant Secretary Hon. Frank W. Hackett, Mrs. Hackett and a few guests of Mr. Hackett. The assistant secretary received visits from Rear Admiral Higginson, Captain Chadwick, Captain Hunter, Commander Mason, Colonel Hasbrouck and a number of prominent citizens and cottagers. A large number of cards were sent on board the Dolphin for Mr. Hackett and his party. A hearty welcome was accorded Mr. Hackett.

Peter S. McNally, the well known swimmer, intends to swim from Boston to New York inside 30 days this summer, averaging at least 10 miles a day. Six men will accompany him in a seine boat, and will watch him closely, taking him into the boat whenever it is necessary. Food and drink will be carried on the boat.

The Long wharf commission met Monday evening at the City Hall. A letter was received from President Hall of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company, furnishing little satisfaction to the members. It is thought that little can be done until the railroad company co-operates with the city in the work to be undertaken.

The N. Y., N. H. & H. Railroad people announce that the new freight and passenger boat station in Newport, commonly known as the South wharf, will be used on and after Sunday. All business will be done there except what is now being done at the Marlboro street station.

Mayor Garretson has offered a purse of \$100 to be competed for on July 4th by the racing crews of this city and the North Atlantic squadron, under the rules and regulations which are in vogue and over the course generally used.

Mr. Ira N. Stanley, of Brooklyn, N. Y., formerly superintendent of the Newport Gas Co., has arrived and will spend the summer in Newport. His many old friends will be glad to welcome him once more.

Hon. Philo E. Thayer, member of the General Assembly from Pawtucket, Mrs. Thayer, Mrs. H. M. Fletcher and son have been in Newport this week.

Miss Roselyn M. Sargent, of Cambridge, Mass., has been engaged as soprano soloist at Trinity Church.

Dr. W. Argyle Watson is ill at his residence on Spring street.

CORRUPTION CHARGED

In Connection With Buying of Horses For British in Africa

London, June 7.—After a long and somewhat embittered discussion of the policy of the war office in buying horses for use in South Africa, the house of commons last night, by a vote of 159 to 93, voted the sum of £15,779,000 for transport and remounts.

Sir Blundell Maple, Conservative, asserted that British officers, who had been sent to Hungary and Austria, had purchased broken-down animals at extravagant prices, and divided with the sellers the price charged the British government above the actual cost. He demanded the appointment of a commission of inquiry.

Lord Stanley, financial secretary of the war office, said in reply that he had made into the matter, and he believed that the accusation of corruption brought against British officers would be disproved.

War Secretary Brodrick said the war office paid for horses in England £48, in Canada £30, and in Australia, the United States and Hungary from £20 to £25.

It is understood that the charges made by Sir Blundell Maple are of a very serious character. It is asserted that in one case an officer netted £2000 in the purchase of horses in Hungary.

Dissatisfaction is said to have existed in the colonies, because the government has been buying on the continent when colonial officials were available.

Mishap to the Independence

Boston, June 7.—The Lawson yacht Independence, in her second sail trial yesterday, met with her first accident, a not very serious jamming of the steering gear, but sufficient to stop the trial after an hour and a half of splendid sailing, during which she attained a speed, on a reach of a little over three miles, of 13½ nautical miles an hour.

The accident led very unexpectedly to a most thorough test of the yacht's rigging and her big steel mast, through the sudden gilling without preventer stays being run back to take up the strain, and the result showed that it will be a pretty severe blow which dismasts the Boston yacht.

The big boom, swung by a 15-knot breeze, swept over the stern of the yacht at a tremendous speed. Captain Huff being unable to prevent it, owing to the jamming of the steering gear.

It was so sudden that none of the crew were aft with the preventer tackle, and the big mast had to stand the entire weight of the sail and boom as it fetched up. There was not a man on the boat but thought that the mast would go, but the big steel spar stood the strain magnificently, and the designer, the skipper and the crew have the greatest confidence in its ability to do its work.

Previous to the accident and subsequent gilling, the yacht was given a most thorough test under full sail in a strong breeze, and showed herself to be a wonderful boat, especially in her ability to run with sheets started. She also went very fast beating to windward, and was thrown about by Captain Huff in something under 20 seconds.

Something of a comparison could also be made yesterday with the Constitution, for the newspaper men were on the same tug which followed the Bristol boat on her trial trip. The wind and sea were much the same, and the yachts were under similar canvas, and it certainly seems as if the Independence had the greater speed, especially in a reach, which would be the main feature of a triangular race.

Waldsee Starts For Home

Berlin, June 7.—The war office had received the following dispatch from Count Von Waldsee, dated Tientsin, June 4: "I have resigned the functions of commander-in-chief and today am leaving China by way of Tokio. Strict measures have been taken here to avoid collisions between the different contingents."

Supposed Work of Robbers

East Knox, Me., June 4.—The entire front part of the store of Merton Sweet, containing the postoffice, was blown off with dynamite yesterday, and the building was totally burned. In addition to the mail matter in the office, there was a large loss. It is supposed to have been the work of burglars. The safe, however, was intact.

Must Have Five-Cent Fare

Westbrook, Me., June 4.—The Aldermen last night refused to grant further privileges to the Portland Street Railway company until a 5-cent fare to Portland, a distance of five miles, is granted. The company had asked to connect their tracks with the Windham Electric road.

Freaky Weather Out West

Jamestown, N. D., June 7.—Snow fell yesterday throughout the central and northern portions of North Dakota. At this place snow fell for two hours. A similar state of affairs is reported in towns on the Jamestown Northern railroad. The snow quickly melted.

Fall Caused Instant Death

Boston, June 5.—David B. Sheehan, aged 63, a watchman employed by the Boston Elevated Railway company, fell from the elevated structure near the South Terminal last night, and was instantly killed.

Curfew Law For Mothers

Portland, Me., June 4.—At the city government meeting last night the curfew law, which had received two readings at a former session, was killed. In a speech by Rev. Mr. Malvern, he said he was in favor of a curfew law and he right enforcement, but he also believed in a similar ordinance that would compel the mothers to be at home at the specified hour to care for and entertain their children, instead of being away attending club meetings, etc.

Killed in Runaway Accident

Woodstock, Vt., June 6.—Mrs. Dexter Capron of Comfret was killed in a runaway accident yesterday, while driving down a steep hill. Her daughter, Mrs. Bushway, and two children were with her, and were all thrown out and badly hurt.

The Price of War

London, June 6.—The total number of deaths from disease and military operations among the British troops in South Africa during the month of May was 25 officers and 700 men.

MANY TRAGIC DEATHS

Mark First Hot Day of the Season in Southern New England

Boston, June 7.—The first hot day this season, in southern New England, was made noticeable by the increase in the number of tragic deaths.

George W. Putnam of Cambridge hanged himself to the headboard of his bed. He was a motorman of excellent record.

The body of Katie Cahill, a seamstress, was taken from Boston harbor. It is thought that she had worried over a rent bill. Seamen also found the body of John Johnson on the flats during the day.

At Dedham, Howard Gates, 14 years old, was drowned while swimming in the Charles river.

Charles E. Havenport, a freight conductor, was killed at Providence by his train on the Consolidated railroad. He had been 20 years' service.

Timothy Low, assistant roadmaster for 50 years on the western division of the Boston and Maine railroad, dropped dead at Ballardville station. He was 80 years old, and an expert at his business.

William Garkud of Sanbornville, N. H., committed suicide by taking poison.

Joseph McAuley, 15 years old, was drowned at Providence while playing on a small pond. The boy was sailing a raft, which capsized.

The body of Timothy J. Ford, aged 23, who has been missing for a week from Lawrence, Mass., was found in the canal in that city. It is thought that Ford committed suicide.

Thomas A. Connor, aged 13, was drowned at Worcester, Mass., and William Weeks, 14, was rescued with difficulty. The boys were in swimming.

Guilty of Killing Wife

Boston, June 4.—For the murder of his wife on March 6 last, Thomas J. Burns was yesterday sentenced to state prison for life by Judge Sherman in the superior criminal court. After a consultation between Burns and his counsel, the prisoner pleaded guilty to murder in the second degree. This plea was accepted by the government, and the case was disposed of in a few minutes. The prisoner received his sentence unmoved. On March 6 last Burns came home and found his wife had left him because there was neither fuel nor food in the house. He learned that she had gone to her mother's, where he found and killed her by cutting her throat.

Police Commissioners Removed

New Haven, June 5.—The sensation started by the sudden retirement by the police commissioners of two police captains and a sergeant on the ground that they were physically incapacitated, culminated yesterday when Mayor Studley removed four members of the police board. The retirement of the officers mentioned was followed by a citizens' mass meeting, at which a protest was made. Mayor Studley called a hearing yesterday, and, after evidence was given of the fitness of the officers retired, the commissioners were removed.

Secretary of War Supreme

Washington, June 7.—The new civil government to be established in the Philippines is receiving the consideration of the president and the secretary of war. There will be a governor in the archipelago, and a legislative council and other officers. This government will have control of all civil affairs, but it will be under the war power to the extent of being directed by the secretary of war, who will be supreme.

Awards President's Approval

Washington, June 7.—Lieutenant R. H. Townley of the navy has been convicted by court-martial at Manila and sentenced to dismissal from the service. The charge on which Lieutenant Townley was court-martialed was in connection with the recent compulsory irregularities at Manila. The sentence must be approved by the president to become effective.

Pleased, But Not Surprised

Boston, June 3.—Admiral Sampson said yesterday to a reporter that he felt pleased and gratified at the reported decision of the board of awards to place his portrait on the face of the Santia go medals. The admiral did not treat the report of the decision of the board as news, and, in fact, admitted that he had been aware for some time of the board's probable action.

Revolver Not in a Safe Place

Waterville, Me., June 5.—Percy Flynn was shot last night by the accidental discharge of Deputy Marshal Woodbury's revolver. The bullet entered just above the ankle, and ranged upward, lodging in the groin, the revolver being discharged by falling from the officer's pocket. Flynn's condition is regarded as critical.

Missed Target and Struck Woman

Blackstone, Mass., June 4.—Mrs. Sarah L. Greene was accidentally shot in the forehead, while passing through Millville yesterday, but the wound may not prove serious. The bullet came from a rifle, with which Daniel Robbins was practicing at a target.

Gas Was Turned On

Augusta, Me., June 3.—Robert Keating of Red Beach was found dead in bed at a hotel here yesterday, the gas being turned on full head. Keating came here to see his son, who is sick at the insane hospital. It is believed that the cause was accidental.

No Perceptible Improvement

Washington, June 7.—Dr. Rixey reports that there is no material change in Mrs. McKinley's condition. In answer to specific inquiries, he replied that he could not say there had been any perceptible improvement whatever.

Explosion Caused a Death

Providence, June 7.—The explosion of an oil stove in the kitchen of her apartments yesterday caused the death of Mrs. John Parker, 20 years of age. She jumped from the second-story window to the ground.

Stabbing May Prove Fatal

Hadley, Mass., June 5.—Jack Welsh, a Hadley farmer, was stabbed three times in the breast about 10:30 o'clock last night in the barroom of the Elmwood House by Henry Mulholland of Northampton. Welsh may die. Mulholland escaped.

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MRS. EDDY VICTOR

Judge Bell Orders Verdict In Her Favor

Mrs. Woodbury May Now Carry Case to Supreme Court

Boston, June 6.—"I have examined this libel with great care, both while the arguments were going on and during the trial. I think the plaintiff has sustained her case, as I have already intimated, upon the matter of publication.

"As regards the publication in the church, there is no evidence that any one there understood the alleged libel as applying to the plaintiff, so that she could not recover damages upon this count, because she had shown no injury from it.

"Taking the libel itself, I see nothing which can in any fair way be said to indicate the plaintiff in the first part of the libel. The only thing in the libel, it seems to me, which can by any reasonable interpretation be said to serve as means of identification is the word 'widow.' The words 'widow' and 'widowhood' occur in the latter part of the message.

"I have come to the conclusion that even that reference does not absolutely identify the plaintiff, and it seems to me that the plaintiff has not made out a case here which I can let go to the jury. I shall, therefore, be obliged to order a verdict for the defendant."

With these words, in the superior court, Judge Bell yesterday afternoon brought to a sudden and unexpected close the famous \$150,000 libel suit, brought by Mrs. Josephine Curtis Woodbury of Boston against Rev. Mary Baker G. Eddy of Concord, N. H., the founder and present head of the Christian Science church.

A few minutes later, the jury, which had been excluded while arguments were being made, was summoned into the court room. After explaining briefly the cause for this course, Judge Bell ordered the jury to find for the defendant, which it accordingly did in the usual form.

Counsel for Mrs. Woodbury filed exceptions on all the questions passed upon. They have not yet decided upon a definite course of action, but authorized it to be stated that they expect to carry the case to the supreme court.

This extremely important and far-reaching decision of Judge Bell was given in response to one of two motions offered by Mr. Elder, senior counsel for Mrs. Eddy, at 12:45 o'clock, at which time the plaintiff rested her case. This was that a verdict for the defendant be ordered on the evidence as it stood. The other motion, which was not sustained, was that the two counts in the declaration, referring to the publication in the two Christian Science periodicals, be stricken out.

Queer Case For Trial

Fall River, Mass., June 6.—The doffers, sweepers and others-up, mostly boys, employed in the No. 2 and 3 mills of the Pocasset Manufacturing company, went on strike yesterday afternoon. Tuesday was circus day here, and they claim that money covering the cost of admission to the evening performance was promised them if they would remain at their work during the day. At closing time the extra money was not forthcoming, and the boys were disappointed. Yesterday they decided to strike.

Not Quite Quite Ready For Business

Boston, June 3.—The formal opening of a portion of the new overhead system of the Boston Elevated railroad, which was to have taken place this morning, has been postponed one week, in view of the fact that numerous minor details of construction remain to be cleared up and the desire of the company to have everything in complete order before the line is opened to public patronage.

Boy Sentenced to Death

Waterbury, Vt., June 4.—Warren Ladd, the 4-year-old son of Rev. G. E. Ladd, was playing in the kitchen, where clothes were being washed, and fell backward into a tub of boiling water. He soon died from injuries received.



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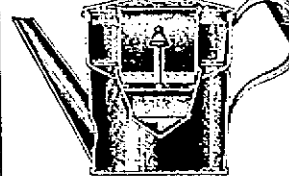
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His Interest.

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Macrum. Well, no; I don't believe in copyright.

Wright. And you are not interested in journalism, eh?

Macrum. Oh, yes, I am. I'm a serious manufacturer.—Cathie Standard and Times.

This is what a minister has to say about habit, etymologically: "Habit" is hard to remove. If you take away the first letter, "a bit" is left. If you take off another letter, you still have a "bit" left. While if you take off another the whole of "it" remains. If you remove another it is not "it" totally used up. All of which goes to show that if you wish to get rid of a bad habit you must shake it off altogether.

Beggar. Say, boss, won't you help a poor fellow out of a job?

Cloakley. Gracious! Can't you get out of it without my help? Unless you are sick or something.—Philadelphia Press.

Little Waldo. Papa, what is a library?

Mr. Reeder. A library, my son, is a large number of books which a man loans to friends.—Harper's Bazar.

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NOTES.

REVOLUTIONARY GRAVES.—The William Ellery Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, of Newport, Rhode Island, has recently marked several graves of Revolutionary soldiers, in Newport and vicinity. Our readers may be interested in the following list of soldiers, with their Revolutionary services, and the inscriptions on their graves:

1. HENRY DAYTON, Captain of Light Corps, July, 1780.

"Sacred to the memory of

Capt Henry Dayton

who departed this life the 5th of April 1792, in the 31st year of his age. He was a patriot of 1776, served his country from the commencement to the end of our Revolutionary War, applied to Congress and obtained a Lieutenant's command of marines, and soon after was at the capture of New Providence; served under the enterprising Col. Barton. Was appointed commandant of this his Native Place after its evacuation by the British. For these his arduous and unremitted services in the cause of his country he received little other reward than the satisfaction of reflecting that by his efforts he had contributed to the triumphant issue of our contest and the establishment of the liberties of his beloved Country. He has left a large and helpless family to lament his transition from the vale of tears, one of whom from filial duty makes this attempt to memorialize his virtues.

Man is vanity and dust in all his flower and prime."

2. WILLIAM TEW, Captain second Battalion, Continental Line, October, 1776.

"Sacred to the memory of

Col William Tew

who died 31st Oct 1808

aged 63 years

As an officer in the late

revolutionary war

he received from his country

the applause and reward

justly due to patriotism and valor

as by the faithful discharge

of several offices of public trust

in his native town

he obtained merited approbation

sustaining through life

the character of an honest man

valuable citizen and

affectionate husband and tender parent"

3. JOHN TOLMAN, Captain Lieutenant, Major's Co, Newport and Bristol County Regiment, Army of Observation, May, 1778. Captain Feb., 1777; Lieutenant Colonel, June and December, 1777; Colonel, Militia, 1778, 1779.

"In memory of

Col John Tolman

who departed this

life Sep 27th 1793

aged 51 years."

4. JOSEPH PERRY, Lieutenant, eighth Company, Newport and Bristol County Regiment, Army of Observation, June 28, 1778.

"Father, mother, & brother

Capt Joseph Perry

of the revolution

died Jan 20th 1818

aged 66 years.

Mary Perry

his wife

died April 15th 1834

aged 50 years.

Edward Perry

their son

died Dec 18 1815

aged 37 years

Erected by J. T. Perry."

5. PETER TURNER, Surgeon, Col. Green's Battalion, Continental Line, May, 1777; 1780. Received a pension from U. S. Government for his services. A member of the Society of Cincinnati.

"Doctor

Peter Turner

born Sept. 2, 1751,

died Feb. 11, 1822."

6. JONATHAN SIMMONS, Lieutenant, Newport and Bristol Regiment, Army of Observation, May, 1778. Ensign, first Company, militia, Newport, June, 1776.

"In memory of

Mr. Jonathan Simmons

who died

Aug 14, 1808

In the 40th year

of his age."

"In memory of

Elizabeth

widow of

Mr. Jonathan Simmons

who died

11th Dec, 1819

In the 64 year

of her age."

7. BENJAMIN FRY, Lieutenant, first company, militia, Oct. 31, 1775. Captain, first company, first regiment, militia, Feb., 1776. Received a pension from the U. S. Government, as a Captain.

"Here rest

the mortal remains of

Col

Benjamin Fry,

an officer of the Revolution

who died April 7, 1810

aged 85 years."

8. ISAAC SEUTER, Surgeon and physician general, militia, Feb., 1780; May, 1780, May, 1781; May, 1782; May, 1783.

"This stone

is erected to the memory of

Isaac Seuter M. D.

who after nineteen years

uninterrupted and successful

practice of the medical art

in this town

departed this life

on the 20th of Decem 1780

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brethren of the Cincinnati for his

indefatigable patriotism. He was repeatedly

elected president of that honorable

institution in this state alike beloved

by all who knew him for his many

domestic and social virtues."

9. WILLIAM ENNIS, Lieutenant,

Continental Line, March 17, 1782, etc.

"In memory of

William Ennis Esq.

who died

May 1831,

aged 74 years.

He was an officer of the Revolution

and served to the end of the war. He

was actively engaged in the defense of

Rhode Island at the Battle of Spring-

field and at the siege of York Town.

From 1811 to 1817 he was General

Treasurer of this state and subsequently

sustained several offices of high civil

trust. In every situation which he

filled his conduct was characterized by

an ability, independence and integrity

which won for him the respect of his

fellow men.

May a well spent life be recompensed

by a happy immortality."

(To be continued.)

QUERIES.

1778. DENHAM.—Daniel Denham

died at Newport, R. I., May 1, 1815,

in the 77th year of his age. In the

MERCURY of May 3, 1815, he is de-

scribed as "An old Revolutionary sol-

dier." Can any one tell me what Dan-

iel Denham's Revolutionary services

were?—D. D.

1771. CORNELL.—Wanted, information

as to ancestry of George Cornell,

Jr., married Mary Children,

Ebenezer, born 1788, married Pense

Macomber, Middlebury, born 1740; Wil-

liam, born 1744; Seth, born 1750, mar-

ried Phoebe Shaw; Ruth, born 1751;

Elizabeth, born 1756;—J. C.

1775. ARNOLD. HAWKINS. SMITH.

—Who were the parents of Elizabeth

Arnold, who married William Haw-

kins (son of William, William), De-

cember 14, 1704; and married second,

June 8, 1718, Israel Smith (son of Jo-

seph, John, John), the miller. Did

she belong to the Arnolds of Gloucester

?—M. L. L.

1770. WATERMAN.—Savage gives a

suggestion that Bethiah—may have

been Richard Waterman's second wife,

and records a child who is not among

the list in the Genealogical Dictionary

of Rhode Island, by Austin. "1680 his

widow Bethiah, mo. of the ch. Beth-

iah."

Savage, page 482.

Was Bethiah, daughter of Roger

Mowry, who married George Palmer,

the second wife of Richard Waterman?

—M. L. L.

1777. ALGER.—Who were the par-

ents of Nicholas Alger, who married

Rebecca Coburn, of Newport, R. I.,

daughter of—Coburn. Who was

Coburn? He married Mary Od-

lin, of Robert.—M. B. P.

1778. CARPENTER.—Deborah Car-

penther, died Aug. 27, 1838, married

Joshua Clarke, born April 10, 1767. He

was a son of Joshua and Dorcas (Smith)

Clarke, grandson of Joseph and Sarah

(Reynolds) Clarke. Who were the an-

cestors of Deborah Carpenter? Is she

mentioned in the Carpenter Geneal-

ogy?—S. P. C.

1770. PALMER.—Who were the par-

ents of Job Palmer, born Little Com-

pton, R. I., January 14, 1756, married

August 19, 1784, Lydia Grinnell, of

Stephen and Sarah (Preston) Grinnell?

—J. C. C.

ANSWERS.

1869. YOUNG.—Since writing this

"Young" query, I have learned that

there is a paper in the City Hall at

Newport, which certifies that Samuel

Young, Revolutionary pensioner had a

daughter Sally Freeborn, a daughter

Nancy Huddy, and a daughter Patience

Thurston. All this was sworn to in

Court. Now the descendants of

Nancy Huddy, who was the wife of

Huntley, have always understood that

their mother was Amanda Wilcox; the

descendants of Sally Freeborn, wife of

Henry, say their ancestor, the wife of

Samuel Young, was Mary Robinson,

and several of the descendants are

named for her; while the descendants

of Patience Thurston, wife of William

C., say that Samuel Young's wife was

Amey, and probably it was Amey

Champlin. We know that he had a

wife Amey, as we have the record of

her death, but we can not find her

maiden name, and we do not know

whether she was Amanda Wilcox, and

called Amey, or whether she was Amey

Champlin, as some members of the

family say. Other members, the de-

scendants of Nancy (Young) Huddy,

say that John and Amey (Champlin)

Young were the parents of Samuel.

Can any one straighten this out? Did

Samuel Young have three wives, or is

there a mistake somewhere? If some

one could give me a few dates, it might

be possible to distinguish between the

wives. Samuel Young himself

died November 16, 1847, aged 92 years.

Amey Young, his wife, died May 20,

1812, aged 81 years. I should be glad

for any information on this family.—E.

M. T.

Jamesstown.

Mrs. Emily J. M. Hartmann, "He

of Walden Hartmann, died on Sat-

urday of last week. She had been an

invalid for many years. The funeral

was held on Monday last from her late

residence on Shore road, Rev. W. D.

Mackinnon officiating. The interment

was in the Cedar Cemetery.

The Commanche Yacht Club have

opened their quarters for the season.

A carriage house is being built for

Mr. Charles T. Knowles.

The Jamestown Transfer Company

has opened its office in the Luther

building.

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season on Saturday of last week.

Mrs. R. Fenton has returned from a

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